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Dear Ms. Dixon:

YUCCA MOUNTAIN DRAFT EIS

County staff has reviewed the Summary for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a Geologic Repository for the Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada. Based on information in the summary report, the following are our comments:

- 1 ♦ The summary does not specify the specific truck routes that will be used. Transports to and from the nuclear power plant at San Onofre are expected to use the I-5 north and/or the proposed Foothill Transportation Corridor when it is completed. Truck routes from the nuclear power site located in Southern Arizona may be diverted onto routes through San Diego County by construction of the proposed project. The likely truck routes should be identified in the EIS. Any changes to the current truck routes for nuclear disposal should be clarified in the final report.
- 2 ♦ The summary does not identify the existing truck routes from the existing power plants and whether or not they would be altered by the proposed facility.
- 3 ♦ The EIS summary also specifies that radioactive waste from medical and research labs would be deposited at the Yucca Mountain site, but it does not specifically identify the primary locations of these source points. It is likely that, due to the

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...3 number of biomedical businesses located in San Diego that there are source points located in San Diego that would utilize regional state and local highways in San Diego County. Will truck routes form these sites be altered?

- ♦ A complete Draft EIS should be submitted to the County of San Diego for further review.

If you have any questions, please call Bob Goralka at (858) 694-3728.

Very truly yours,


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